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HWY. 101 PAVING PROJECT PLANNED FROM SANTA BARBARA TO GOLETA

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY- A project to repave 8.5 miles of Highway 101 from Milpas Street to just south of Patterson Avenue is expected to begin this summer, Caltrans officials have announced.

Caltrans will remove the top layer of deteriorated pavement and repave it with asphalt greatly improving conditions for motorists. This project will result in better visibility in rainy conditions, reduced back splash and tire spray and a smoother ride for motorists.

"I am very pleased this section of Hwy. 101 from Santa Barbara to Goleta will be improved for the traveling public," said Caltrans District 5 Director Rich Krumholz.

This \$7 million upgrade will be funded through the Caltrans Maintenance Program. Contractor bids on the project are expected to be opened in May. Construction is expected to begin in early summer.

Caltrans reminds motorists that 'we're here to get you there'.

For traffic updates on other state highway projects in Santa Barbara County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-568-0858 or visit the District 5 website at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/maint/road/upsb.htm>

